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WAR NEWS.

Information has been received by the War Department that the Confederates at City Point, on the James river, opened fire on the Federal vessels from their batteries on the bluff, on Tuesday last. The squadron returned the attack, silenced the guns, and compelled the Confederates to withdraw from the position.—City Point is at the mouth of the Appomattox river, twenty-five miles below Richmond, and is the river terminus of a railroad to Petersburg, twelve miles distant.

Gen. Curtis was on the 13th instant still at Batesville, Ark., the report of his occupation of Little Rock being unfounded. A Confederate gunboat was at Des Arc. A Federal cavalry force had a fight on the 12th near Jacksonport routing and killing and wounding twenty-eight Confederates. Ten of the Federal troops were wounded.

Through a private letter information has been received that Gen. Buel had left Gen. Halleck's army and started for East Tennessee, via Huntsville, Ala.

Information has also been received through private sources that the report published in the New Orleans papers, of the surrender of Fort Morgan, was incorrect.

A Nashville paper has information that fifteen thousand Federal troops are to be raised in Tennessee for service in the State. The clergy of Nashville have been required to take the oath.

The Board of Aldermen of Memphis have requested the postponement for ninety days of the operations of the order for the suppression of Confederate scrip, but the request was not granted.

A Memphis paper states that Gen. Beauregard's army is in excellent order as regards health, morals and equipment, and that the reports of its disorganization are false.

When last heard from the Confederate Gen. Price with his staff, was in Mobile, Ala., Gen. Breckinridge was at Meridian, Miss. Gen. W. B. Smith has been appointed to the military district of Charleston to take the place of Gen. Hugh W. Mercer, transferred to Savannah. Gen. Lawton, of Savannah, has been transferred to the department of Virginia.

Two soldiers confined at Kansas on a charge of a brutal outrage upon a female, have been taken out of jail by a mob, and hung.

The health of Mr. Senator Pearce, of Maryland, has been sufficiently re-established to admit of his resuming his seat in the Senate, from which he has been detained by sickness during the last few weeks.

A "Brother Artist" writes that Vincent Colyer is not the model artist man, but a crayon artist of New York city.

LOCAL.—To-day the sun rose at thirty-four minutes after four, and it will set at twenty-eight minutes after seven—the day being fourteen hours and fifty four minutes long—the longest in the year:—the most delightful summer weather is now experienced:—business of all kinds is extremely dull:—wherever wheat has been sown or corn planted in the neighboring counties we hear of good prospects, the want of labor in gathering the harvest will be generally felt:—the market this morning was but poorly supplied with vegetables and fruit. Prices were very high. Meats were in good supply and the quality was fair. Green Peas sold at 40@50 cts. a peck; Cabbage, 3@8 cts. a head; Onions, 2@3 cts. a bush; Irish Potatoes, 40@50 cts. a peck; Strawberries, 10@12½ cts. a quart; Cherries 12½ cts. a quart.—Beef, Veal and Lamb, 12½ cts. a pound.

In Washington, on Thursday, a delegation representing the organization of the Progressive Friends of New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, &c., who lately held their convention in Chester county, Pa., visited the President of the U. S. in accordance with the action of their society to urge upon him the issuing of a proclamation abolishing slavery throughout the country. They pointed out what they considered the great sin of slavery, and reminded the President of his former declaration that a house divided against itself could not stand, and that the country must be all slave or all free. The President, it is understood. He admitted the evils of slavery but thought the best way to effect its abolishment, as far as direct action by the government was concerned, was prevent its extension. He did not see the use of his issuing such a proclamation as desired. It was his duty to see the constitution and laws enforced, but he could only do so over such territory as the influence and power of the government extended. Just so it would be with the proclamation abolishing slavery.—It could only be effective in the South within the lines of our armies, and where we had possession.

Quite a sensation has transpired in Geneva, New York, arising from an elopement of Dr. B—a man of fifty, with a wife and no children, his companion de voyage, being Mrs. S—the widow of a once prominent Albany politician. She is said to be rich, and a niece of a member of President Lincoln's Cabinet having spent considerable time in Washington where she is very well known. Their supposed destination is Europe.

Two extensive Iron Rolling Mills are going up in Chicago. They are intended to supply the increased demand for iron created by the growth of railroads in the West, and the hard service required of the iron by immense freight trains.

George G. Hillard, state auditor of Kansas, has been found guilty of high misdemeanor, and deposed from office by the Court of impeachment.

Telegraphic News.

[FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Gen. Pope Coming to Washington.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Major Gen. Pope, who has so greatly distinguished himself by his operations in the West, is expected to be in Washington, shortly, at the invitation of the government.

The Buffalo Commercial says: There can no longer be any doubt that, at last, Gen. McClellan has been generously reinforced. The Pennsylvania Reserve Corps, 8,000 strong, is now with him; so are ten regiments which have during most of the year, been in the neighborhood of Newport News, Old Point, &c.; so is McDowell's Corps, at least 30,000 strong. In addition to all this, the Syracuse Journal says that it has positive information that several New York regiments, including the Tenth and One Hundred and First Regiments, with others, have joined Gen. McClellan's forces within ten days.

The wife of Senator Harlan, has been nursing the soldiers in the Hospitals at Pittsburg Landing for two months. She complains greatly of the surgeons, and says hundreds of brave soldiers are dying daily for the want of proper nursing and care, and suitable food and clothing.

The Arabian horses sent by Abdel-Kader to the French Emperor have arrived at Paris, in charge of a confidential officer. They are three in number, and belong to the purest race of the Yemen breed. One of them especially is a model of perfection; he counts, according to a letter received from Abdel-Kader, twenty generations exempt from any foreign mixture.—The ex-Mir has been ten years searching for these horses.

THE MEMPHIS NAVY YARD.—When Frederick P. Stanton represented this district in the Federal Congress, twelve years ago, and James C. Jones was one of the Senators from this State, a debate came up in Congress as to the utility of keeping up the navy yard here.—After much spirited debating Congress concluded to turn the entire property over to the city of Memphis. The municipal authorities of Memphis did not like it, because they thought the Government was only jesting. They finally resolved to accept the navy yard and grounds, and up to the present time the city of Memphis has been letting out the principal buildings, from the city treasury has derived some revenue. While the yard did not pay when in the hands of the U. S. Government, it has certainly been made to pay by private individuals. There are a number of individuals.—There are a number of dwellings also on the premises, which have been leased to private parties for thirty years. As the Government never gave the city any deed to the property, it can take it back with impunity.—We learn that it is the intention of the government to put the yard in operation at an early day.—*Memphis Argus.*